

109TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2329

AN ACT

To permit eligibility in certain circumstances for an officer or employee of a foreign government to receive a reward under the Department of State Rewards Program.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Terrorist Rewards En-
3 hancement Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. ELIGIBILITY IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES FOR AN**
5 **AGENCY OF A FOREIGN GOVERNMENT TO RE-**
6 **CEIVE A REWARD UNDER THE DEPARTMENT**
7 **OF STATE REWARDS PROGRAM.**

8 (a) **ELIGIBILITY.**—Subsection (f) of section 36 of the
9 State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22
10 U.S.C. 2708(f)) is amended—

11 (1) by striking “(f) **INELIGIBILITY.**—An offi-
12 cer” and inserting the following:

13 “(f) **INELIGIBILITY.**—

14 “(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Except as provided in para-
15 graph (2), an officer”; and

16 (2) by adding at the end the following new
17 paragraph:

18 “(2) **EXCEPTION IN CERTAIN CIR-**
19 **CUMSTANCES.**—The Secretary may pay a reward to
20 an officer or employee of a foreign government (or
21 any entity thereof) who, while in the performance of
22 his or her official duties, furnishes information de-
23 scribed in such subsection, if the Secretary deter-
24 mines that such payment satisfies the following con-
25 ditions:

1 “(A) Such payment is appropriate in light
2 of the exceptional or high-profile nature of the
3 information furnished pursuant to such sub-
4 section.

5 “(B) Such payment may aid in furnishing
6 further information described in such sub-
7 section.

8 “(C) Such payment is formally requested
9 by such agency.”.

10 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Subsection (b) of
11 such section (22 U.S.C. 2708(b)) is amended in the mat-
12 ter preceding paragraph (1) by inserting “or to an officer
13 or employee of a foreign government in accordance with
14 subsection (f)(2)” after “individual”.

Passed the House of Representatives December 18,
2005.

Attest:

Clerk.

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